

Proclamation



IN MEMORY OF Mr. Kerry Payne

MAY 14, 2015

WHEREAS, Kerry Payne was a life-long resident of the District of Columbia and served as the Deputy Operations Chief for the Operations Division with Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA); and

WHEREAS, for 27 years, Kerry Payne was an invaluable member of HSEMA. He served as the response coordinator in numerous emergencies and disasters in the District to include snow storms, Presidential Inaugurals, emergency heat incidents, 9/11, and serving evacuees from Hurricane Katrina; and



WHEREAS, Kerry Payne was a catalyst for problem solving complex issues in communities. Under his leadership, not only essential workers reported to work but non-essential workers played a vital role to assist others in a time of need; and

WHEREAS, Kerry Payne has left an indelible mark on this city. As we gather to reflect on how he touched the lives of those who knew him, may we find strength in the love of family and the warm embrace of friends to ease the pain of the loss we feel:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, do hereby proclaim May 14, 2015 in Washington, DC as "A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE IN HONOR OF MR. KERRY PAYNE" and call upon all the residents of this great city to reflect upon his many contributions.

